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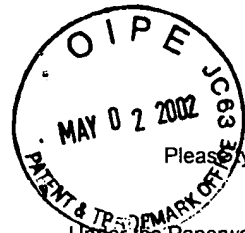
This is in response to the Official Action mailed January 30, 2002. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration, reexamination and allowance of claims 16-17 and 19-25 in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims:

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Please amend claim 16 as follows:

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16. (Amended) A corrosion-resistant coated and cured strap comprising:
an elongated metal strap base element, the metal strap base element having a width and a thickness defining first and second sides and a pair of edge regions; and
a melted and cured powder coating on the base element, the coating having a substantially consistent thickness at the first and second sides and at the edge regions.

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